TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HJR 538

January 26, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a committee to study and review the Tennessee Educator Acceleration Model (TEAM). Requires the committee to study TEAM's effectiveness, fairness, and reasonableness as an evaluation system; the timing of its implementation; and whether it should have been started as a pilot program. Directs that the committee be composed of six members of the House Education Committee, six members of the Senate Education Committee, three members of the Tennessee State Collaborative on Reforming Education (SCORE) appointed by the Governor, and three public school teachers appointed by the Tennessee Education Association. Requires non-legislative committee members to serve without pay but authorizes compensation for their travel expenses in accordance with Department of Finance and Administration travel regulations. Directs the committee to report its findings to the 108th General Assembly no later than February 1, 2013, at which time the committee shall cease to exist

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$4,300/Each One-Day Meeting

Assumptions:

- Meetings will be held in Nashville.
- Travel and per diem expenses for 12 legislative committee members of \$3,599.52 (\$173 per diem + \$126.96 mileage for each member).
- Travel expenses will be paid for non-legislative committee members. Non-legislative members will be paid at a rate of \$0.47 per mile; with lodging an additional \$137 (\$107 room + \$30 tax).
- One teacher from each grand division will be chosen to serve on the committee.
- Two teachers will require a hotel room at a cost of \$274 (\$137 x 2). Mileage for a teacher driving from the Knoxville area will be approximately \$169 (\$0.47 x 360 miles roundtrip). Mileage for a teacher driving from the Memphis area will be \$199 (\$0.47 x 424 miles roundtrip).
- Committee representatives from SCORE and one teacher representative will be from the Nashville area. Non-legislative members from Nashville will travel approximately 35 miles roundtrip. Mileage for these 4 non-legislative members will be \$66 (\$0.47 x 35 miles x 4).
- Total mileage for 6 non-legislative members will be \$434 (\$66 + \$199 + \$169).

- Each one-day meeting will increase state expenditures for six non-legislative committee members at least \$708 [\$434 (mileage) + \$274 (hotel)].
- Each one-day meeting will increase state expenditures at least \$4,308 (\$708 non-legislative members + \$3,599.52 legislative members).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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